

**DECLARATION OF INVENTORSHIP AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION**

Attorney Docket No \_\_\_\_\_

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PCT/AU95/00735	International	6 November 1995	YES [X] NO [ ]
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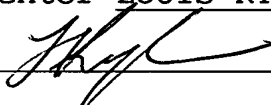
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Serial or Patent No: \_\_\_\_\_ Filed or Issued: \_\_\_\_\_

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**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
(37 CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27(c) - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN**

I hereby declare that I am

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I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, USC in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention, entitled "LIQUID FILTERING APPARATUS" by inventor LOUIS RYLES described in

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